Adult Services Meeting 3/7/08

Held Gordon Ave Library, Charlottesville, Virginia 10:00 – 3:00 Attendees: Lisa Moore, President Ken Moore James Johnson Donna Sue Harmon Mary Kaye Johnston Paige McCleary Alison Hymes, MHPC President Brian Parrish Jack Brandt

Jo-Amrah McElroy

Guest: Dana Trayn, VOPA

Thanks to Alison and Mary Kaye for setting up a place to meet and arranging for lunch.

Topics

One time money was discussed. Jo-Amrah spoke briefly about some of the proposals which had been sent in. Brian asked if any plans had been made to keep the problems which are being dealt with now from re-occurring. He asked if guidelines had been set and if not, would they before the RFP was sent out. Can a panel be established to review the RFB notice and selection next time? There will be some money for consumer scholarships to attend conferences. Questions about what the scholarship process would be, who would sit on the panel, who would be fiscal manager. Committee would like for consumers to be involved in the scholarship selection and RFB process from the beginning.

Guest speaker, Dana Tryanor spoke about Advance Directives and Powers of Attorneys. Many questions. She is willing to speak at the MHPC. Alison to check schedule and will invite her.

Lunch provided by Breadwinners.

Legislation was discussed. Lisa provided copies of Senate Bill 246. Concern that this is going to make things worse – unintended consequences. Some positives may come from it. Alison may invite Legal Aids justice to present to MHPC.

Targeted Case Management legislation was discussed. Concerns regarding proposed changes in billing. Survey on-going in March, per Lisa, to look at costs vs. fees. She reported fees are currently being re-negotiated. Last COLA payment was 1988 for Day Support, Community MH Support.

Questions regarding the performance contract.

Questions regarding Portable Auxiliary Grant to pilot 200 beds.

Jo-Amrah said Jim Martinez would like a review of the by-laws. Alison designated him as chair for this.

Alison said members looking for scholarships should look to employers and SAMSHA prior to requesting funds from MHPC. Often money for consumers is available at CSBs and through employers.

Brian said John Otenasek was on the radio March 3. To hear the program go to www.wmra.org/inchive

There are two openings in VOCAL. VOCAL conference JMU May 20-22

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